

MUSCATINE ISLAND.

RESOLUTION

OF

THE LEGISLATURE OF IOWA,

RELATIVE TO

*A grant of land, to reclaim Muscatine island from inundation.*

MARCH 8, 1848.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands, and ordered to be printed.

Whereas a large portion of the Muscatine island, in the counties of Muscatine and Louisa, in the State of Iowa, to the extent of some forty or fifty thousand acres of land, is subject to inundation from the waters of the Mississippi river during a great portion of the year, thereby wholly obstructing the sale of said lands by the government of the United States; and

Whereas it is confidently believed that said lands are capable of being reclaimed and rendered saleable by the construction of a levee along the bank of the said Mississippi river, from the high grounds on said island below Bloomington, to the mouth of the Muscatine slough; and

Whereas it is believed that a grant to this State of ten thousand acres of said lands would be sufficient to construct said levee: Therefore,

*Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That our delegation in Congress be requested to use their endeavors to obtain the desired grant.

*Resolved,* That the secretary of state be requested to forward a copy of this preamble and resolution to each of our Representatives in Congress.

P. B. BROWNE,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

THOMAS HUGHES,

*President of the Senate.*

Approved January 22, 1848.

ANSEL BRIGGS.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, IOWA,  
Iowa City, February 5, 1848.

I, Elisha Cutler, jr., secretary of the State of Iowa, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a copy of the original preamble and resolution now on file in this office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand  
[L. s. ] and affixed "the great seal of the State of  
Iowa."

ELISHA CUTLER, JR.

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